UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

CARLY R.,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 2:24-cv-3831 Judge Edmund A. Sargus, Jr. Magistrate Judge Peter B. Silvain, Jr.

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

Defendant.

ORDER

This matter is before the Court on the parties' Joint Motion for an Award of Attorneys' Fees Under the Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA), 28 U.S.C. § 2412. (ECF No. 11.) The Parties stipulated to an award of attorney's fees in connection with the resolution of this case. (*Id.*)

The Court **GRANTS** the parties' Joint Motion. (ECF No. 11.) The Commissioner shall pay Plaintiff's attorney's fees, costs, and expenses in the amount of \$1,450.00. After the Court enters this award, counsel for the Parties shall verify that Plaintiff owes no pre-existing debt to the United States subject to offset, consistent with *Astrue v. Ratliff*, 560 U.S. 586 (2010). If no such pre-existing debt exists, Defendant shall pay the EAJA award directly to Plaintiff's counsel pursuant to the EAJA assignment signed by Plaintiff and counsel.

The case remains closed.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

1/22/2025 DATE s/Edmund A. Sargus, Jr.
EDMUND A. SARGUS, JR.
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE